



STREET TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 11, 2021

Minutes

A meeting of the Street Tree Advisor Committee was called to order by Public Works Director Braden Yu on the above date and was held at the Carnegie Library located at 123 D St, Upland, CA 91786.

1. Call to Order: 5:02 p.m.

- 1A. Nomination of Acting Chair: Committee Member Craig Anderson nominated John Ickis to be Acting Chair, seconded by Committee Member Julie Garcia, and carried unanimously.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Acting Committee Chair John Ickis, Committee Members Craig Anderson and Committee Member Julie Garcia.

Absent: None

Staff: Public Works Director Braden Yu, Operations Manager Richard Smiderle, Operations Supervisor/Arborist Brett Lance, City Manager Blay, and City Clerk Johnson.

3. Oral Communications:

3A. Shari Wasson, commented on the Urban Forest Management Plan.

3B. Natasha Walton requested the committee postpone approval of the Urban Forest Management Plan.

3C. Raymond Wetzel requested a city street tree to be removed from their property located at 906 E. Arrow Highway.

4. Old Business: None

5. New Business:

5A. Orientation and Brown Act Training

City Manager Blay provided a brief orientation for the Committee Members and City Clerk Johnson provided Brown Act Training.

5B. Introductions

Public Works Director Yu gave a quick introduction of city staff, and the Committee members gave a brief introduction on their background and interest in Street Tree Committee.

5C. Tree Removal Requests

City staff made a presentation on a resident request to remove a street tree from their property 906 E. Arrow Hwy. Staff presented the condition of the tree; the effect of the tree to the surrounding public/private improvements; and made a recommendation not to remove the tree at this time and observe the situation. Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding the recommendation and Acting Committee Chair Ickis made a motion to deny the request to remove the tree, seconded by Committee Member Garcia, and carried unanimously.

City staff also made a presentation on a resident request to remove a street tree from their property 189 N Ukiah Way. Staff presented the condition of the tree; the effect of the tree to the surrounding public/private improvements; and made a recommendation not to remove the tree at this time. Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding the recommendation and Committee Member Anderson made a motion to deny the request to remove the tree, seconded by Acting Committee Chair Ickis, and carried unanimously.

5D. Urban Forest Management Plan

City Staff provided a brief presentation on Urban Forest Management Plan. Discussion ensued among the Committee and Acting Committee Chair Ickis made a motion to move this item to a future meeting, seconded by Committee Member Garcia, and carried unanimously

5E. Committee Communications - None

- 6. Adjournment:** Acting Chair Ickis adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Street Tree Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 10, 2022.

Submitted By:



Braden Yu, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Approved: February 10, 2022